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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee Re Enhanced Role of the DCI

When I briefed Mr. Slatinshek on the above subject he remarked that the plan, as described, left a number of unanswered questions, particularly regarding the Director's dual responsibilities. He commented that it might be tidier if the President simply designated Mr. Helms as Counsel to the President for Intelligence Matters. I noted that this would indicate that Mr. Helms was giving up an active role in directing CIA, and this apparently was not desired or contemplated. Mr. Slatinshek asked to be kept informed of further developments.

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